## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 140**

## By Farmer

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Chad Loveday on his selection as the Sevier County Middle School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Chad Loveday is one such estimable educator who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Loveday was recently selected as the Middle School Teacher of the Year for Sevier County, an honor most befitting his outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence he has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, an assiduous scholar and highly trained professional, Chad Loveday earned his bachelor's degree in Exercise Science and his master's degree in Elementary Education (K-8) from Carson-Newman College; he is currently pursuing a doctorate in Educational Leadership with a concentration in School Leadership through East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Loveday has served with acumen and alacrity at Jones Cove School in Sevier County for twelve exemplary years, teaching grades three through five and coaching the boys' and girls' middle school basketball teams; and

WHEREAS, as a member of his school's grant writing staff, he has secured essential funding for their extracurricular programming, including Lottery for Education: Afterschool Programs (LEAPS) funding in order to refine teaching practices and upgrade resources and both the Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant and the Tennessee Farm Bureau's Ag in the

Classroom Grant to implement a community garden and greenhouse at Jones Cove Elementary; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional commitments, Mr. Loveday has dedicated himself to serving the teaching community at large through his participation in various organizations, such as the Professional Educators of Tennessee, the Tennessee Reading Association, the Tennessee Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD), the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), the National Council for Teaching Mathematics (NCTM), and the Southern Association for Colleges and Schools, which he has served as committee chair for seven years; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Chad Loveday has been the recipient of numerous awards, such as the 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 Elementary School Teacher of the Year Awards, Tennessee Titans Radio's Teacher of the Week in 2010, nomination for the ASCD's Outstanding Young Educator in 2008 and 2009 and Ron Clark Academy's Great American Teacher Award, and selection to attend the Mickelson Exxon Mobil Teacher's Academy STEM training in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Loveday serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Chad Loveday truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Chad Loveday on being chosen the Sevier County Middle School Teacher of the Year, commend his exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.